### January 28, 2010 - St. Hyacinth Community Meeting

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### Opportunity Corridor Community Meeting

The Opportunity Corridor is planned as a three mile boulevard that will stretch from I-490 at East 55<sup>th</sup> Street to East 105<sup>th</sup> Street. The transportation and economic development project will help revive and redevelop large tracts of vacant and underutilized land in the city of Cleveland and create jobs.

The purpose of this meeting is to provide an update on the project to the St. Hyacinth community. Presenters will discuss the goals of the project, review possible corridor routes and gather public input regarding the plans presented.

All comments received will be given careful consideration as the project progresses.

For further information contact Terri Hamilton Brown at the Greater Cleveland Partnership at (216) 592-2258 or THamiltonBrown@GCPartnership.com

Additional project information is available at:

www.dot.state.oh.us/projects/clevelandurbancoreprojects/opportunitycorridor

Community Meeting for the St. Hyacinth Neighborhood Thursday, January 28, 2010

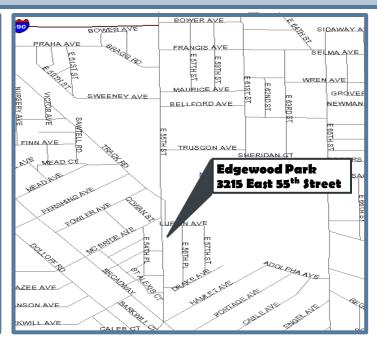
When: 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Presentation at 6:15 pm

Where: Edgewood Park

3215 East 55<sup>th</sup> Street Cleveland, Ohio 44127

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According to bank employees, a black male wearing a white hooded sweatshirt, blue jeans and a black mask entered the bank and passed a note to one of the tellers that said, "This is a robbery." and contractors within the city. According to Collova, Garfield Sheriff's Office

The teller gave him the money from her drawer and he exited the bank. Witnesses said he left the scene on foot.

No weapon was mentioned and no suspect description was given in the report.

### More meetings on school changes

Cleveland Metropolitan School District Superintendent Dr. Eugene Sanders will again be coming to South High School on Saturday, Jan. 30, from 3 to 5 p.m., for a public meeting with parents, students and residents about the school's closing.

Meetings about the transformation of Willow and Union elementary schools will be held today, January 27, at 5 p.m. at each respective school. Parents and residents are invited to attend.

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### Sheriff's office investigating former Garfield Hts. employee

The Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Office is investigating a former Garfield Heights employee who was let go this past November, according to Mayor Vic Collova.

"I have been advised by legal that there is an ongoing investigation going on about a former employee, and because of that investigation, I'm not at liberty to say anything," Collova said.

John O'Brien, spokesperson for the Sheriff's Office, said the investigation began about a week ago and is continuing, but would not offer any further details.

The Sheriff's Office subpoenaed the personnel records of Joe Stewart from Garfield Heights City Hall last week. Stewart, 63, was hired in 1998 by former Mayor Tom Longo to handle public relations and communications for the city.

Stewart made \$42,151 in 2008, his last full year working for the city as a part-time employee.

While Collova could not discuss the investigation, he said he dismissed Stewart the week he took office in a cost-cutting move.

Garfield Heights Police Chief Thomas Murphy said the investigation is looking "into the work status" of Stewart.

Murphy said he did not ask the Sheriff's Office to handle the investigation. According to him, it is the type of case that the sheriff would typically handle, not the city.

### Corridor meeting

Come hear the latest about the Opportunity Corridor at the next Hyacinth Community Coalition meeting this Thursday, Jan. 28, at 6 p.m. at Edgewood Park, 3215 E. 55 St., Cleveland.

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### **Exercise Instructions**

The purpose of this exercise is to understand the location of physical improvements you would like to see in the neighborhood. Your participation is appreciated!

**Exercise Tosk 1:** What are the key destinations in the Study Area? Several destinations have been identified on the map, but that's only a beginning! Please <u>identify and name</u> any additional important or key destinations in the Study Area by placing an orange dot sticker near the location.

**EXERCISE TOSK 2:** How do you travel to/from these destinations? How do you travel between destinations in the Study Area? Using the appropriate color marker, draw a <u>solid line</u> along the route you use to reach each of these destinations.

- Automobile / Drive (Blue Marker)
- Pedestrian / Walk (Green Marker)
- Bicycle / Bike (Orange Marker)
- Rail Transit (Red Marker)
- Bus (Purple Marker)

EXERCISE TOSK 3: What kind of improvements would you like to see along the routes you

**identified?** Using a post-it-note, please describe your desired improvement(s) and place near the location of the desired improvements.

**EXERCISE TOSK 4:** Is there a different route or means of travel you would prefer using? If so, select a color marker that matches the preferred mode of travel (identified in the Exercise Task 3 elements above) and draw a dashed line of your preferred route.

Thank you for your participation in completing this exercise!



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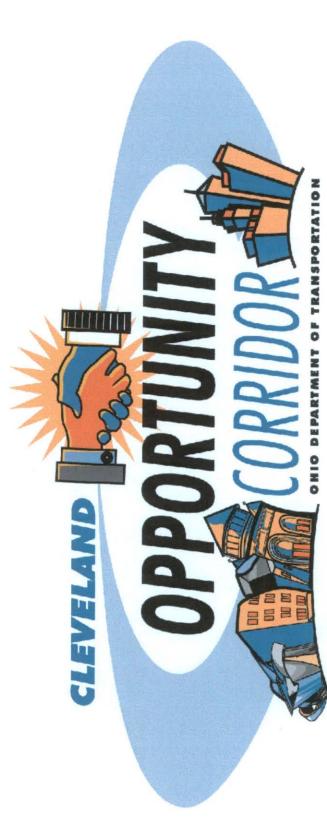
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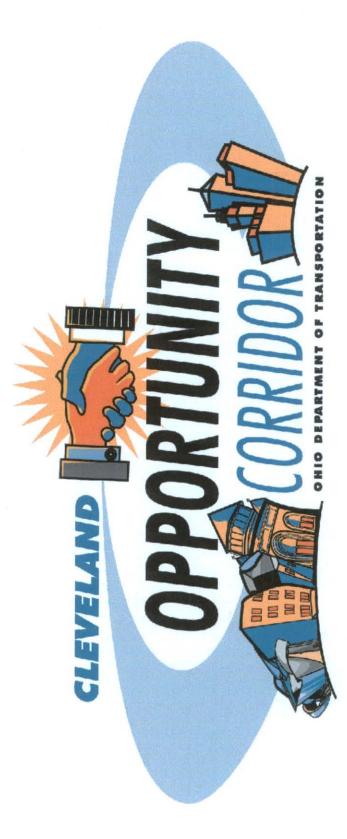
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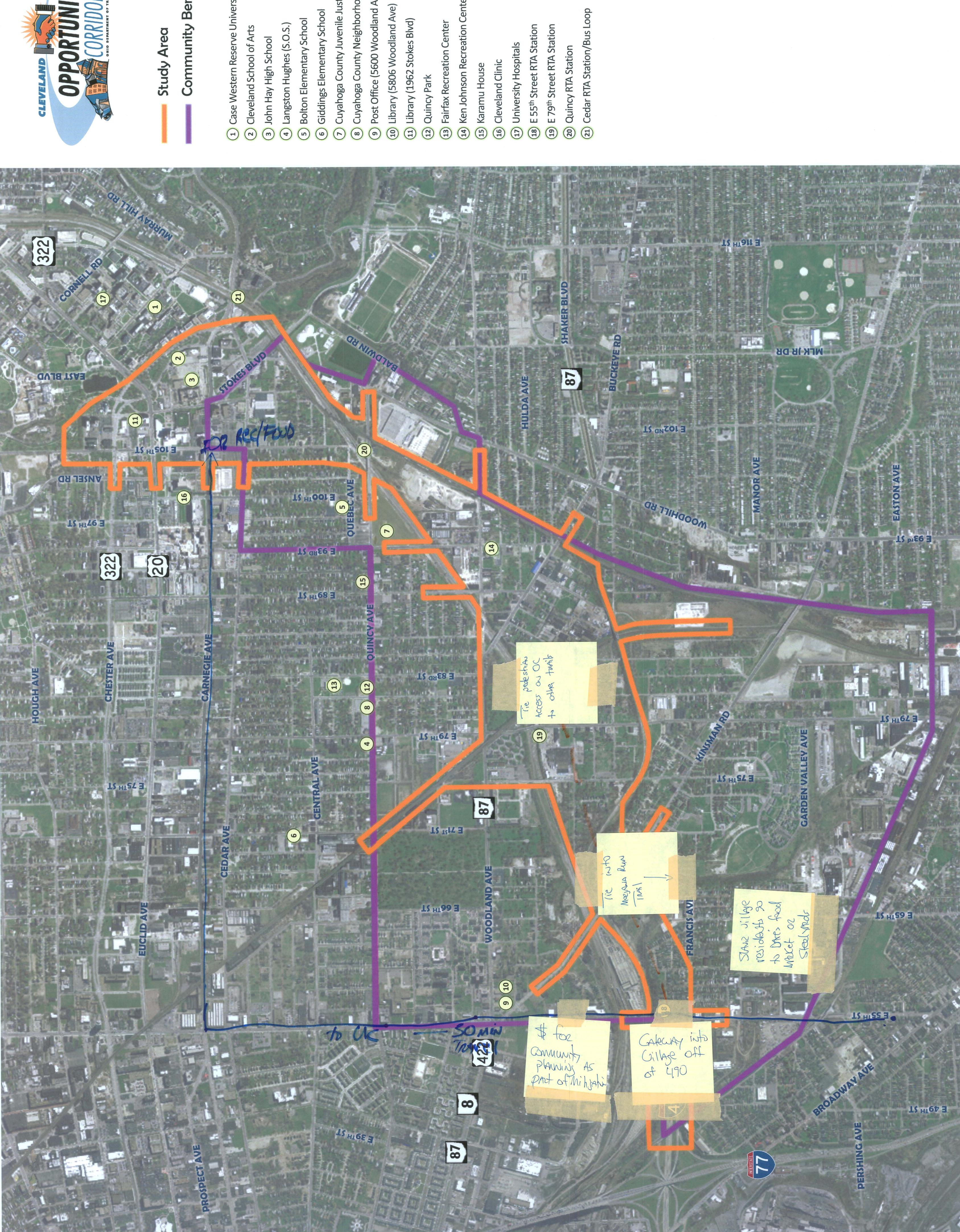
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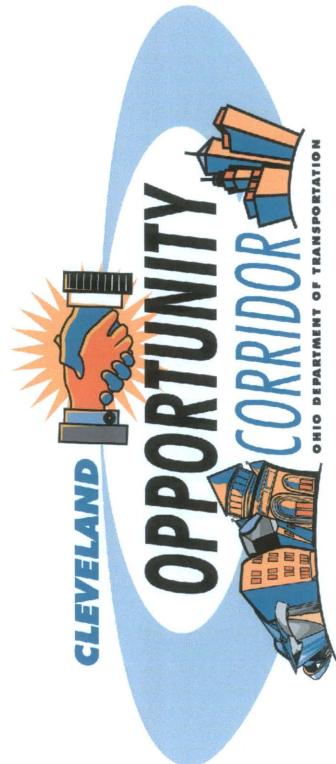
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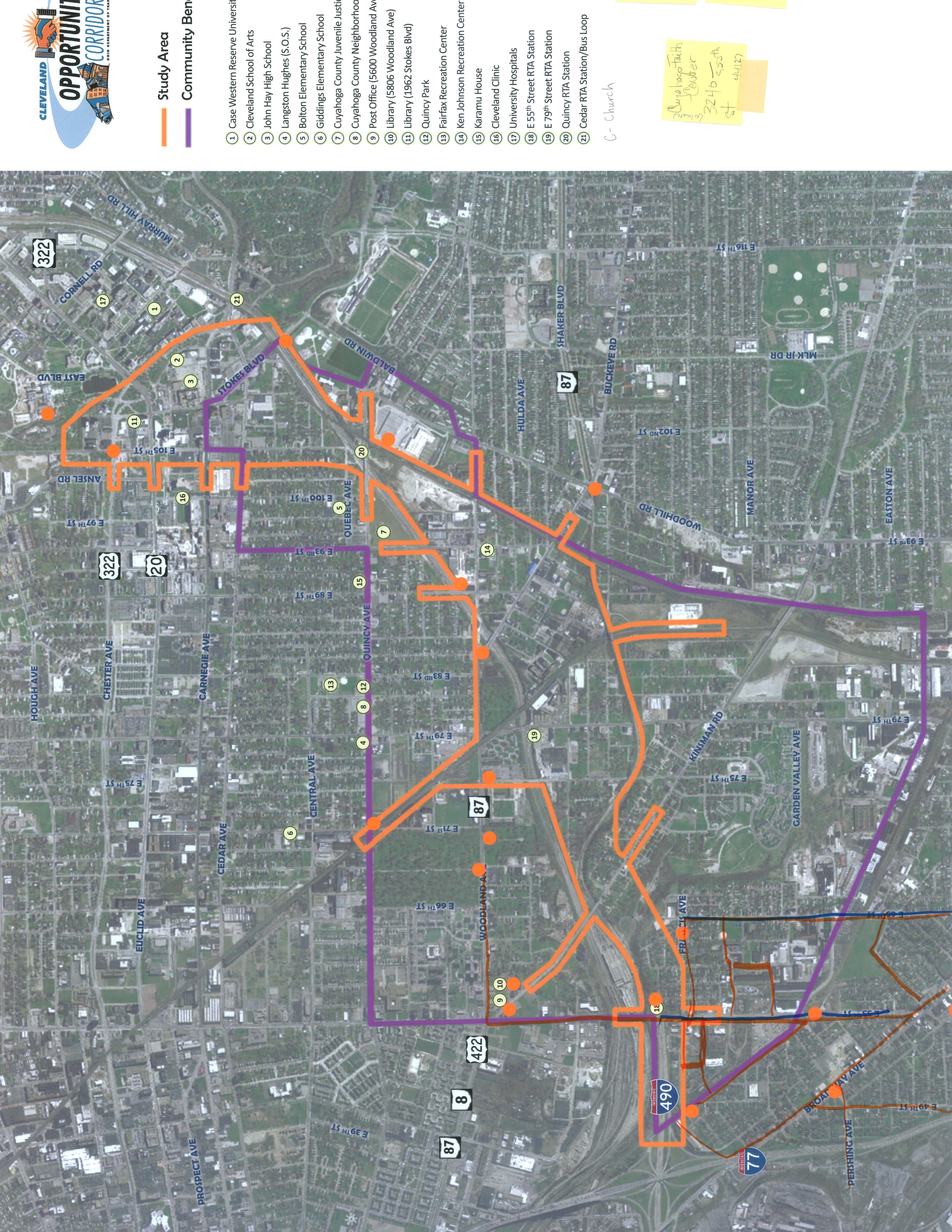


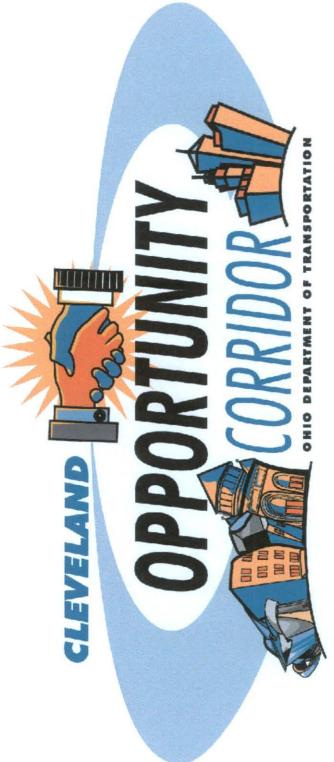


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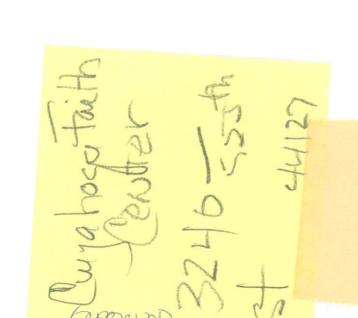
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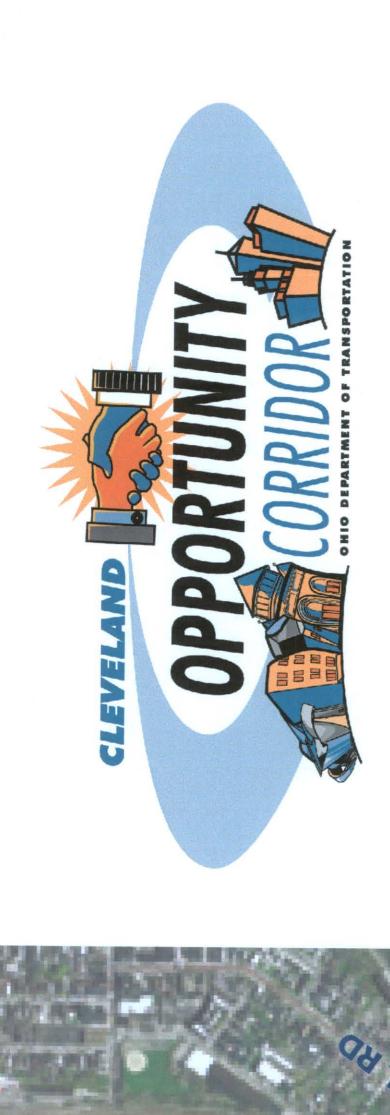
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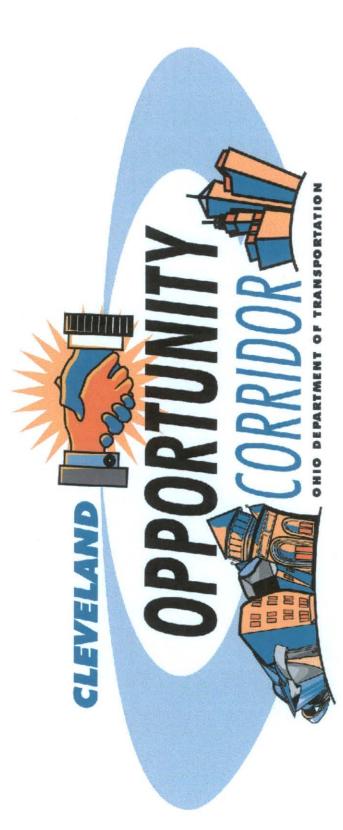
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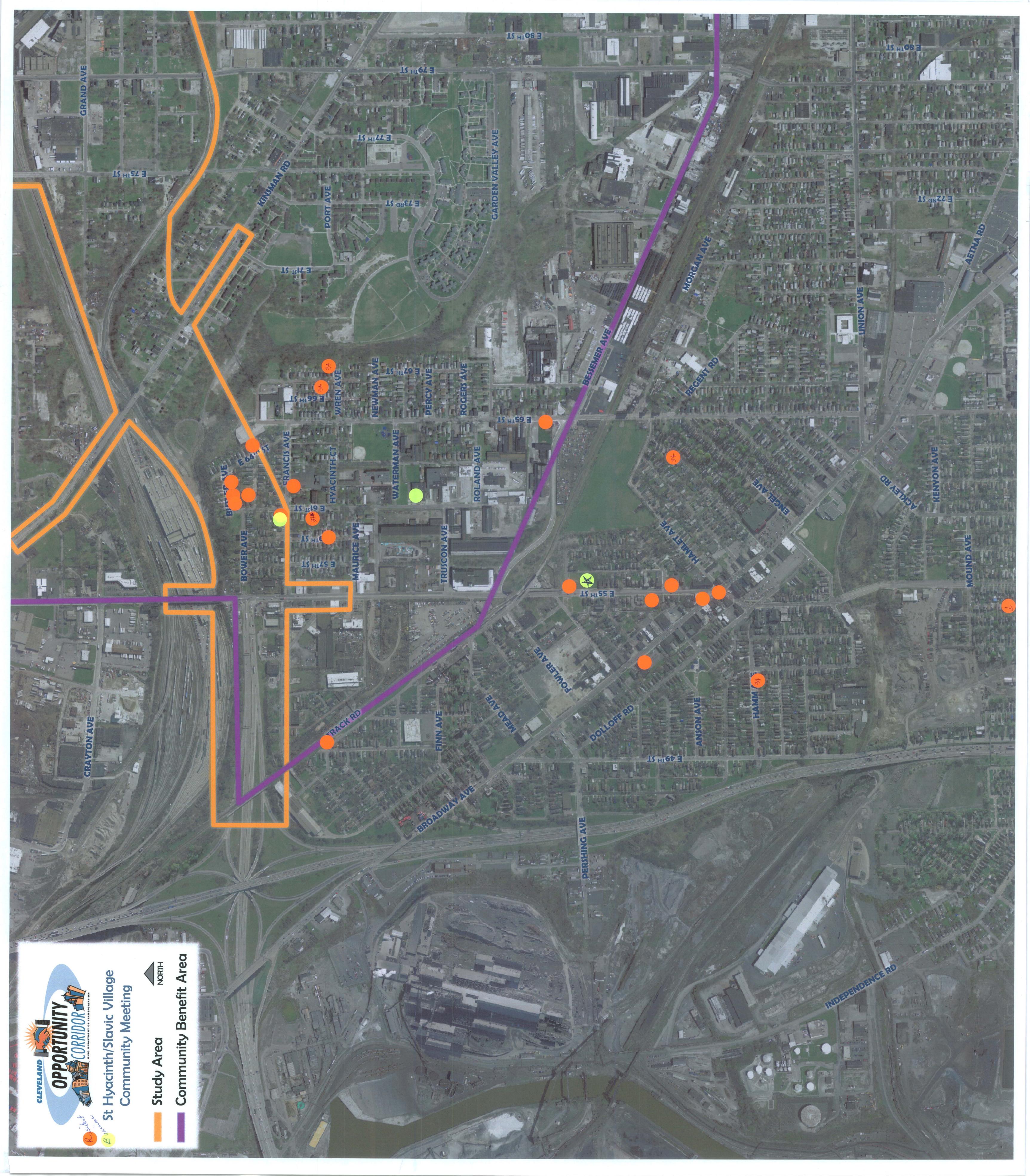
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City: <u>Cleveland</u> OH zip: 44127 Date: 1-28-2010

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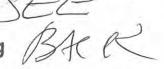
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City: ((E)C. Zip: 44127 Date: 01.28.10
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City: <u>Clevel and</u> Zip: 44127 Date: 1/28/10

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### **James Shea**

From: Matt Wahl

Sent: Wednesday, January 27, 2010 11:50 AM

To: James Shea; Sarah Brown

Cc: Ronald Deverman; Brock Hoegh; Anne Morris (ACMorris@PBSJ.com); Nichole English

**Subject:** FW: Opportunity Corridor opposition

Please file with our other public comments.

### Matthew J. Wahl, P.E.

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**From:** Dale.Schiavoni@dot.state.oh.us [mailto:Dale.Schiavoni@dot.state.oh.us]

Sent: Wednesday, January 27, 2010 8:08 AM

To: James Sickora

Cc: Nichole English; Matt Wahl

Subject: Re: Opportunity Corridor opposition

Mr. Sickora: Thank you for your comments. This e-mail will be added to the other public comments on record.

Dale Schiavoni, P.E.

Transportation Planning and Programs Administrator

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Subject Opportunity Corridor opposition

Mr. Schiavoni,

As a resident of the St. Hyacinth Neighborhood since the age of five, I am completely against this Project. There are several reasons for this, which I will list below.

First, this has been an historical dream of the city's movers and shakers since Eisenhower first proposed his Interstate Highway Program during his presidency. Back then, it was proposed that 490 should stretch from I-90 straight across eastward all the way to I-271. When Shaker and University Heights Residents found out about this, however, they were instrumental in doing away with the plan, as it would eliminate Shaker Blvd. Their actions helped save the St. Hyacinth Area from bring leveled in the name of progress. Now that threat is eliminated, the St. Hyacinth Neighborhood is left defenseless.

Second, putting in a corridor from the west side directly to University Circle will not do much better for three reasons, one - it will be detrimental to RTA's Healthline by means of ridership, two, University Circle is already

so confusing with one way streets going hither and you that adding extra traffic headaches to the mix will only make it worse, not better, (I should know - I've driven through it!) and three, you cannot convince this Cleveland resident that just because the Corridor is a slower extension of I-490, that drivers are going to slow down their speeds immediately through it. They will continue to drive at 55-60 mph as if it were still a highway, making safety a major issue. That is just how Clevelanders are. A good example of this is the turning stoplight at the interchange for those going on the highway from 55th southbound. Even when the light is red for people to cross, vehicles consistently ignore it, almost hitting pedestrians!

Third, it has been suggested that since E. 55th would be a possible stopping point, that drivers might want to instead go south on 55th down to the Broadway Historic District and other Historic Districts in the vicinity to go shopping or other things. This would bolster economic opportunity for the area. They can do this now, and they don't. So why would they start when the Corridor is completed? I believe we're only fooling ourselves with this project, and it needs to be scrapped, for good!!!

Those are my arguments against the Corridor Project. I do hope to be at this upcoming meeting, but if I cannot, let this be my statement for the record. Thank you.